(d) what are the targets set under the policy; and

(e) what steps are proposed to be taken to ensure percolation of health care benefits to poorer sections of the society?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (e) Do not arise.

312. (Transferred to 5th August, 1993)

Blood donation by prisoners

313. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of prisoners donate blood to gain remittance from their prison terms;

(b) whether such blood donation camps are organised by the prison authority/ Government Agencies, the number of such blood donation camps organised during last one year;

(c) whether it is a fact that some of the donors among prisoners were delected with H.I.V. positive;

(d) whether any enquiry was instituted to ascertain the reasons for prisoners getting affected with AIDS virus; and

(e) what arrangement Government have made to test prisoner's blood and treatment of AIDS affected prisoners?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Cholera breakout in Delhi

314. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:
SHRI GAYA SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether deaths have occurred in Delhi in June as a result of out break of cholera;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government are aware that Secretary of Singhur Grant Sudhar Samiti had brought the water contamination problem to the notice of MCD;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) what action has been taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) to (e) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Treatment of diabetes

315. SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any data to show the persons suffering with diabetes in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof State and Union Territory-wise as on 15th July, 1993;

(c) whether Government propose to launch some more family programmes on diabetes to check its further spread;

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether Government also propose to hold physical check-up camps for patients of diabetes; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) It is estimated that in India there are about 10 million patients with diabetes.

(b) State/Union Territory-wise details are not available.